

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resources Commission**

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DECISION

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Contract – Central Trust Bank– Electronic Licensing System for Iowa

The Department requests Commission approval to extend its existing Electronic Licensing System of Iowa (ELSI) contract with Central Trust Bank of Jefferson City, Missouri, for management of electronic licensing sales through ELSI through December 31, 2007. The current contract for ELSI services through Central Trust Bank is effective from the period of August 2000 through December 2007. The Department has negotiated a per transaction rate of \$0.74, which is three cents less than the rate provided in the current contract, for this one-year extension. ELSI is responsible for managing nearly a million privilege transactions per year.

The Department is seeking this extension to allow it to complete a request for proposals (RFP) process for the selection of a new contractor. The new vendor will continue the management of its electronic licensing sales through the development of a second generation of the program that will provide easier staff and customer use. In July 2007, the Department received approval from the Iowa Technology Governance Board to issue an RFP for a new vendor; on August 2, 2007, the Department published the RFP. Responses are due by October 19, 2007, and the Department anticipates presenting a contract for the NRC for approval this fall.

Funding for this contract comes from the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund.

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